

## NO MATERIAL CHANGE in the STRIKE SITUATION

### Strikers Hold Meeting Yesterday Afternoon at Which Conductor Cowan Offers to Sacrifice Himself—Trainmen Refuse to Concur.

There was little or no change in the strike situation yesterday beyond the fact that supplies and provisions are becoming much scarcer.

The representative of the grand lodge of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers is expected here this morning, and the representative of the National Railway Conductors is due tomorrow morning.

When these men get on the ground, there will be little more backing and filling. What there is for them to do beyond what has already been done by the organizations themselves, is hard to see. The men have been ordered back to work, and have refused to go. The representatives themselves can do no more than this, and if they still refuse to obey, the charters of the local unions will be revoked, if that has not been done already.

If the men return then it will be up to the representatives of the grand lodges to investigate the matter with the railroad, and as the men have already conceded the fact that they acted in violation of the rules of the union, it is hard to see where they can get any standing.

### Both Sides Await Arrival of the Two Supreme Representatives

The executive committee of the Board of Trade addressed a communication to the railroad officials and the strikers, offering its services if they could be used in any way, with a view to effecting a settlement of the strike. Courteous replies were received from both sides, thanking the board for the interest manifested, and with the assurance that advantage would be taken of the offer, should an occasion arise. A further communication was received from the grievance committee of the strikers, stating that there might be a proposition offered for the consideration of the board later in the day, and then the conductors went into executive session.

At that meeting, Conductor Cowan, who has been the bone of contention, offered to withdraw from the controversy, and be considered out of the fight. Considerable discussion followed this offer, and the vote resulted in the acceptance of the offer. When the vote came to be taken by the trainmen, the proposition was defeated. Word was then sent to the executive committee of the Board of Trade that their good offices would not be desired at that time.

This leaves the situation, as far as the men are concerned, the same as it was the night before.

The railroad people have nothing new to offer, and are going ahead working the system as far as its crippled state will permit at present.

### Railway Officials Succeed in Bringing In and Sending Mail-Freight Is Piling Up at Mina and Yards are Becoming Congested.

There were no arrivals from the outside, and there were no further desertions from the ranks of the strikers. The men claim that only one of their number are among the four who have reported for duty. The railroad is apparently making no great effort to get new men, but are leaving that to the heads of the national organizations which govern the strikers. It goes without saying that they would rather see their own men back than to break in new men.

Freight is becoming congested at Mina, and that little town is getting to look like a metropolitan borough, with all the cars crowded in its yards. There are plenty of supplies there, but there is no way at present to get them in. When they become absolutely necessary, the way to get them in will be determined.

There are very few people at Mina waiting to get into Tonopah, according to those who arrived yesterday. But Reno, it is said, holds a great number of people who are waiting the time when traffic will be resumed. How long the tie-up will be continued will depend in a great measure on what will be accomplished by the grand lodge officers. If the men obey them, the road will be running by tomorrow or next day; if they do not, then will commence the work in earnest of getting the men in from the outside, and it may be several days longer before the wheels begin to turn.

## SUSPENSION Of Pilot Follows President's Request STARTLING Story In Connection With Killing of Sheriff

[By Associated Press.]

MEMPHIS, Oct. 5.—Evidence was heard here today in the case of Clarence Nichols of Cairo, Ill., pilot of the steamer Fred Hartweg, whose suspension was ordered by President Roosevelt yesterday morning. The hearing was held behind closed doors and the nature of the testimony was not given out. George Tice, vice-president of the Monongahela Coal and Coke Company, which owns the steamer Hartweg, made a statement regarding the reported collision between that boat and the president's boat, the Mississippi, in which he said: "So far as the Pittsburg delegation knew or were able to learn, there had been no official order in regard to the order in which the boats were to proceed. If there was such an order, the Pittsburg delegation were wholly ignorant of it. From every appearance the boats did not recognize any particular rule, running to a large extent at random. I, myself, was a passenger on the Hartweg, and at no time during my observation did the Hartweg approach the president's boat so close as to make an accident or collision even probable."

Tonight Captain Vallie suspended the license of Pilot Nichols for six months. The president had requested that the license be suspended for only three months.

### RICH STRIKE ON RAMSEY QUEEN

(Special to the Bonanza.)

RAMSEY, Nev., Oct. 5.—A most sensational strike has been made on the Ramsey Queen, six feet from the surface. Ore assaying over \$1000 a ton is being sacked. The ore is precisely like the oxide ore in the Mohawk ledge at Goldfield. Quartz specimens alive with gold are being found. The vein is widening and getting richer with depth. Intense excitement prevails, and leasers are making application for ground. This is the richest grass-root strike yet made in the district.

[By Associated Press.]

PORTLAND, Oct. 5.—A special dispatch received today from Baker City, Ore., announces the arrival there of C. A. Elmer, private secretary to Governor Gooding of Idaho, who has in his possession notes and data relative to Harvey U. Brown's connection with the prosecution of the Western Federation of Miners cases. Another visitor at Baker City from Boise is Sheriff Hodgins, who declared today that three attempts have been made on the life of Angus Sutherland, former sheriff of Shoshone county, Idaho. According to Hodgins, Sutherland was decoyed to Pullman, Wash., by a bogus telegram and was saved from harm by a drunken man, who gave out the information that three men were concealed near the depot ready to attack Sutherland. Hodgins added that the wife of one of the men who

conspired against Sutherland informed the authorities of these plots.

**BLOODHOUNDS ON TRAIL.**

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 5.—A special from Baker City, Ore., says that

the identity of the men who planned and executed the horrible death of Harvey K. Brown, former sheriff and detective, is somewhat nearer solution. The bloodhounds owned by Henry Draper of Spokane have scented the trail of the assassins.

The assassins were traced by the dogs to the railroad, along the tracks for 100 feet, thence around a warehouse and mill building and back across the tracks to Auburn avenue and to Sixth street, where the trail was lost.

**THE METAL MARKET.**

(By Associated Press.)

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 5.—Bar silver, 66; lead, \$4.60 to \$4.75; Lake copper, 14 1/4 to 14 1/2.

## FORD JURY DISAGREES EIGHT For Acquittal FOUR For Conviction

### POWERS DEMANDS TRIAL AT ONCE

LEXINGTON, Ky., Oct. 5.—Caleb Powers, now in Georgetown jail awaiting his fourth trial for the murder of William Goebel, when told of the charges in the indictment for subordination of perjury by the Franklin county jury said: "It is an infamous outrage. I am ready and demand a trial on these charges. I may give out a written statement later."

Mrs. Gentry, who is also indicted,

brands as false the statements that she, with Powers and Attorney Benton, conspired to fasten the killing of Goebel on Honey A. Yontsel. Both Powers and Mrs. Gentry telegraphed the state's attorney demanding immediate trial.

**WATERWAYS CONVENTION.**

MEMPHIS, Oct. 5.—The Waterways Convention Association adjourned sine die late today after passing resolutions calling upon Congress for an appropriation sufficient to secure a fourteen-foot canal from the lakes to the Gulf of Mexico, through a route already selected by army engineers.

[By Associated Press.]

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 5.—The jury which tried former Attorney General T. L. Ford, general counsel of the United Railroads, on the felony charge of bribing Supervisor Thomas F. Longan in the sum of \$4000 to vote for a trolley franchise, voted eight for acquittal and four for conviction, and at 3 o'clock this afternoon were discharged by Judge Lawlor, after having been out eighteen hours.

It is reported that the twelve jurors voted as follows: For acquittal—Edward W. Bender, contractor (foreman); Niels C. Mortensen, contractor; Oscar Ferguson, insurance agent; John Olsen, shipping man; Frederick N. Morcon, art dealer; Daniel Kelly, insurance agent; Charles W. Gould, insurance agent; John G. Chase, contractor. For conviction—Florence Driscoll, plumber; Edward W. Strange, jeweler; Arthur W. Johnson, grocer; George Gohlder, grocer.

Foreman Bender, in response to an inquiry by Judge Lawlor, sent word that the jury, after casting thirty odd ballots, was hopelessly dead-locked. When Judge Lawlor ascended to the bench he opened the proceedings briskly. Responding to the usual query by the clerk, Foreman Bender rose and said that the jury had not agreed upon a verdict. Judge Lawlor asked whether the disagreement was upon matters of fact or upon questions of law.

"Upon questions of fact entirely," was the reply.

**INDICTMENTS FOR CUBANS.**

HAVANA, Oct. 5.—Seven indictments have been found by the special judge in the conspiracy cases. The indictments charge the conspirators with having agreed upon a plan to overthrow the provisional government of the United States by dynamiting bridges, burning the property of all foreigners excepting Spaniards.

**R. E. MAXWELL WEDS.**

RENO, Oct. 5.—R. E. Maxwell of Manhattan was yesterday married in this city to Mrs. Ray Werrin. Mr. Maxwell is largely interested in Litching Hill and other mining properties in the southern gold camp.

### GOLLINS LOST IN FINAL STRUGGLE

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 5.—The last legal battle of George D. Collins, the attorney, to escape punishment for bigamy and perjury resulted in a defeat for the lawyer yesterday when the district court of appeals of the first division handed down a decision affirming the order of the lower court denying Collins a new trial on a charge of perjury. Collins will have to serve his fourteen-year sentence in the charge of bigamy.

### Helpless Men Struggle

[By Associated Press.]

WATERBURY, Conn., Oct. 5.—During a Republican rally in the north end of the Athletic Club rooms, the floor collapsed, precipitating 150 men into the cellar of the building. By an explosion of lamps the building was set on fire and the crowd of men struggled in the flames and debris almost helplessly. The fire was extinguished within an hour, and when the men were rescued from the cellar it was found that one, Harry Well, a Republican worker, was perhaps fatally injured. Those injured were John Sewell, Republican candidate for mayor, who had just spoken as the building collapsed, and Senator Irving F. Chase, one of the prominent men of this city.

### Suffers Awful Torture

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 5.—Six months without a moment's sleep, and driven to the verge of insanity by burning eyes and tortured brain, Frank F. Branson, a Nevada prospector, lies strapped in a cot in the county hospital, a puzzle to the entire staff of physicians and all others who have become interested in the peculiar case.

Branson had tramped for several years among the golden hills, made rich strikes in several fields, and six months ago started across the Nevada desert. He became lost, and for